



Northwest
Chapter



Membership

As of this morning, Apra-NW has over 100 members that have joined the organization in 2019. As in previous years, the majority of our members hail from Washington, with the number representatives from Oregon not far behind. Members also live in Alaska, Idaho, and Montana. We have just over 55 members working in higher education, and 10 in healthcare.

If you have not joined or renewed your membership in 2019 (and many of you have not yet!), please visit [Join/Renew](#).

Questions? Contact [Anna-Liisa Little](#).

Mentorship

Apra-NW would like to thank Lori Robinson for her hard work on the Board of Directors, where she served as the Mentorship Director since June 2018! Lori brought a lot of innovative ideas to the Mentorship Program and improved it greatly!

With Lori's recent departure from the Board, Allison Patzwald, a Research Strategist from the University of Washington has been appointed for the duration of the term. Allison previously served as the Apra-NW Vice President and Treasurer and she has said how excited she is to expand opportunities for Apra-NW members to connect with and learn from each other. If you have interest in participating as a mentor or mentee, reach out to [Allison](#) or go to the [Mentoring and Networking](#) pages under [Member Resources](#).

Events



Blog

A new blog post, [Open Source Intelligence Searching \(OSINT\) Resources for Apra-NW Members](#), by Apra-NW Secretary, Kim Ostitis, has been added to the Apra-NW website.

After you read the post, login to your Apra-NW account to access the updated list of resources that Kim has shared. It can be found in the [Member Resources](#) page.

If you have content you would like to submit to the Apra-NW blog, send it to [Alexa Makhani](#).

Board Member Highlights

*This newsletter, we are highlighting two members of our Board
so you can get to know more people working behind the Apra-NW scenes!*

Hi Apra-NW folks! My name is Sandy Jeter, your 2019 Conference Chair. I grew up in Woodinville, WA (before wineries) and received my bachelor degree from Washington State – Go Cougs! I worked in a couple local start-ups in IT positions before deciding to go back to school for my graduate degree. I should have paid more attention to my 9th grade aptitude test that told me I'd be a great librarian because I was 35 before I figured that out for myself. I have a MLIS from UW and love everything about library science but particularly the quest for information.

After grad school I went back to work with medical device companies but eventually wanted to try something new. Never having heard of prospect research before, I was delighted to get a peek into the world five years ago and was lucky enough to be hired on as a Research Strategist at UW on the best team around. I love my co-workers and the mission of the University.

My life outside work is filled with family and friends. My husband (Hoyt) and I have two girls, Jessa, a college junior, and Sophia, a high school junior, two cats, and a giant dog. We love to travel and spent most of August in Norway and are planning a trip to France this summer where we will attend some Women's World Cup games! I have a fabulous group of friends that mean the world to me and 17 of us recently celebrated a friend's birthday with a trip to Hawaii to participate in the Honolulu marathon. Full disclosure: I did not run the marathon, but did the 10K at a trot/walk! Fun fact: Jessa is in her third year as a prospect research assistant at Occidental College as a student worker- like mother, like daughter.



- Me and Jessa in Reine, Norway



- Sophia and Lola, our "lapdog"

Looking forward to seeing everyone for the Apra-NW annual conference on Friday, May 17 at the Seattle Public Library!

-Sandy apranw.conference@gmail.com

Hello, Apra-NW!

I'm Rachel Siegfried Du and I serve as the 2018-2019 Programming Chair.

Last year, I joined the Apra-NW board as the Conference Chair and was glad to have the opportunity to stick around for a second position. I'm currently a Prospect Management Analyst with Oregon Health & Science University Foundation. I began my career in prospect development in 2014 when I was fortunate to be hired as a Research and Prospect Management Coordinator at the OHSU Foundation. I've had some great mentors along the way and would not be where I am without the amazing prospect development professional community.

Outside of work, I have a hard time sitting still; you can likely find me doing one of the pictured activities – running, camping or skiing. I'm planning a 2019 filled with professional growth, a half-marathon PR, a few nights spent in the woods and plenty of snow.



- Backpacking the Gifford Pinchot National Forest with my mother-in-law and husband



- Finish line of Hood to Coast in Seaside, OR



- My husband and me at the Whistler Summit in British Columbia

Cheers to a great 2019!

-Rachel

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